## NO MORE EXCUSES...GET AND STAY MOTIVATED!

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HAVE NO TIME?	<ul> <li>Work it into your day:</li> <li>Get up a little earlier for a fun physical activity</li> <li>Walk to work and at work</li> <li>Use the stairs</li> <li>Throw the ball with the dogs/play with your pets</li> <li>Walk during your lunch break</li> <li>Write physical activity into your calendar, and don't block conflicting appointment</li> <li>Ride a stationary bike while watching TV or reading</li> <li>Walk home</li> </ul>
CAN'T GET MOTIVATED?	Fitness will never be a priority until you make a commitment to it.  Some things that can help:  Read books and/or magazines on fitness to inspire you  Identify people you look up to who are fit, and use them as role models  Set specific, short-term goals, and reward yourself when you achieve them  Do it for yourself  Associate with friends who believe in fitness for mutual support
BOREDOM?	<ul> <li>Vary your activities so you don't get tired of one</li> <li>Enlist a friend or family member as an exercise partner</li> <li>Use different jogging, walking, or biking paths for scenic variety</li> <li>Choose activities you really enjoy, that are fun and offer a reward, such as hiking for a great view, or walking to a friend's house</li> <li>Make activities into social occasions, such as tennis tournaments among friends</li> </ul>
DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?	<ul> <li>Start by making the most of the activities you do already: increase their frequency, duration, or intensity</li> <li>Ask a friend, someone who has the experience and is willing to help you</li> <li>Go to health fairs, sports expositions, clinics; learn from the variety of offerings presented</li> <li>If you've been inactive for a long time, start off slowly. Walk for 10 minutes, or just around the block</li> <li>Match your activity to your fitness level</li> <li>Don't concern yourself with fancy equipment of health club memberships. Just ACTIVATE!</li> </ul>